

# **Virginia Avian Influenza Taskforce**

A scenic view of a mountain range with a stone wall in the foreground. The stone wall is made of irregular, grey and brown stones, running along the bottom left corner. The background shows rolling green mountains under a clear blue sky. The text is overlaid on the top and bottom right of the image.

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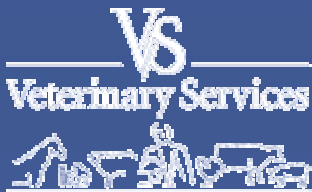
# AI Outbreak Response

March 7-12	Index Case Confirmation Voluntary Company Depopulation On-Site Burial
March 28	20 Positive Flocks State/Company Control Measures Controlled Slaughter Permitted



# AI Outbreak Response

April 12	60 Positives Flocks 30 Flocks Pending Depopulation 24 hr. State Destruction Orders USDA Assistance Requested
April 14	Initial Deployment of Task Force
April 18	Full Assistance of Task Force



# AI Outbreak Response

April 25      Barrel or Dead Bird Surveillance  
12 Flocks Positive In Initial Round

May 8          West Virginia Flock Positive  
Intensive Surveillance  
No Additional Cases

July 2          Last Positive Case Found to Date  
Continue Enhanced Surveillance



# Three Focus Areas

- Disposal
- Surveillance
- Biosecurity





# Landfill Site







**Incinerator at Quarry Site**

# Barrel Surveillance







**Lab Testing**





**Cleaning and  
Disinfection**







# Incident Command Post

## **VIRGINIA AVIAN INFLUENZA TASK FORCE**

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# Virginia AI Task Force

**Mission:** To control low path AI

1. identify and eliminate foci of infection
2. prevent spread of disease

**Priorities:**

1. Safety of Incident Personnel  
and Involved Public
2. Adherence of Strict Biosecurity  
Measures by Incident Personnel



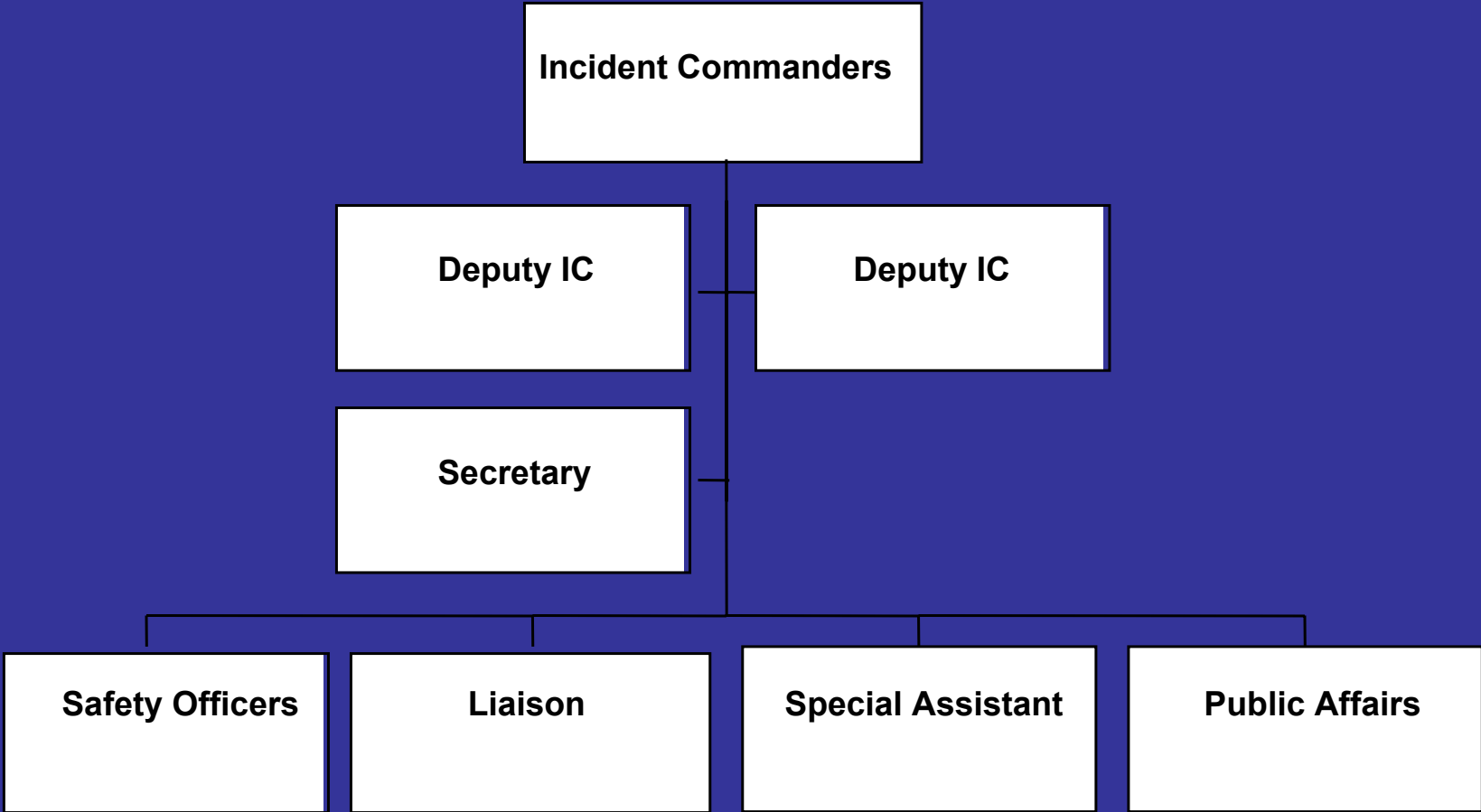
# Incident Command System

Incident Command Staff  
Planning  
Administration and Finance  
Logistics  
Operations



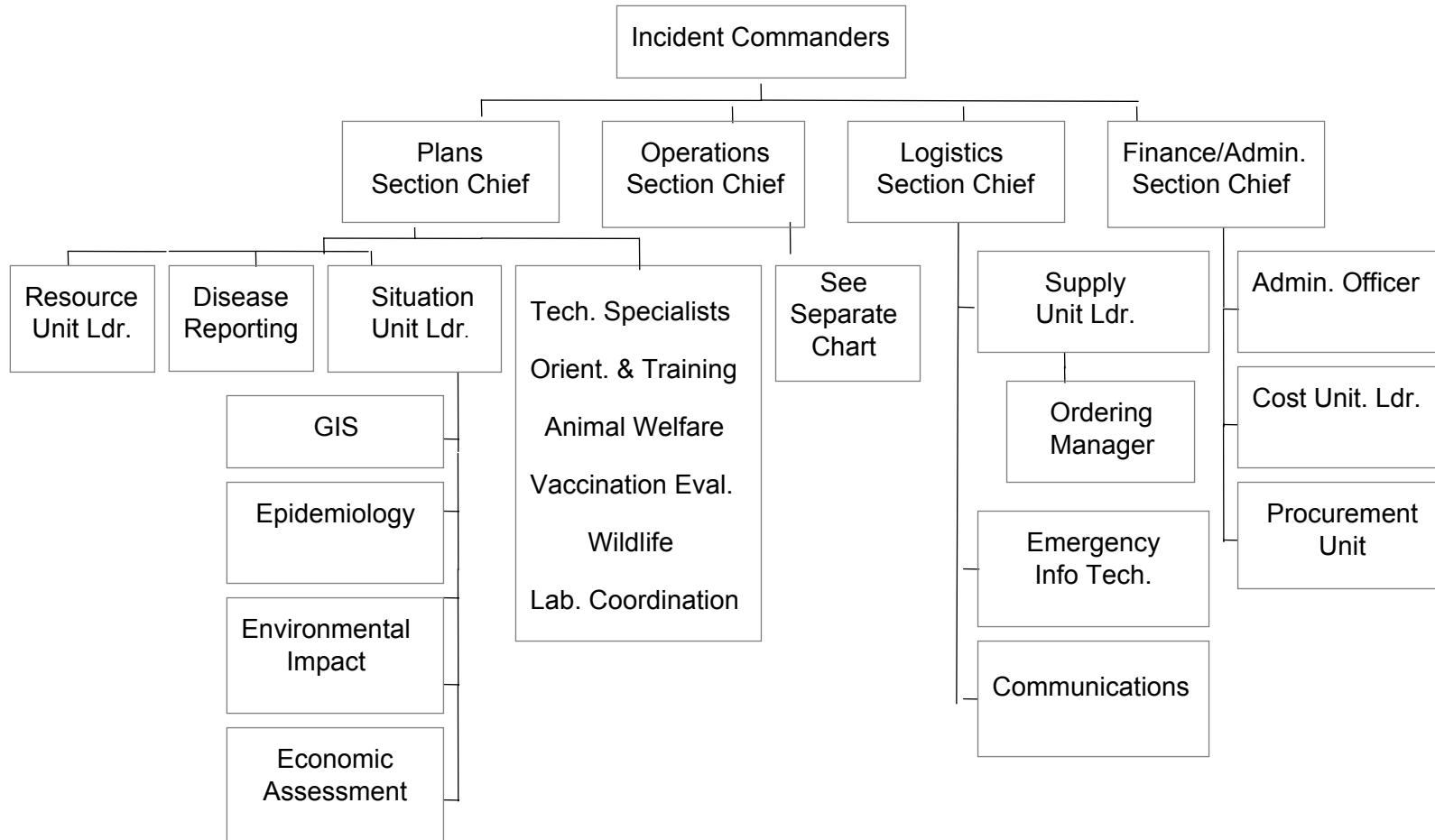


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**Command Staff**



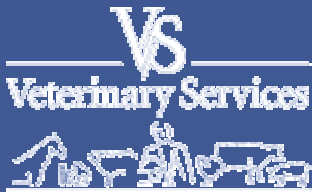
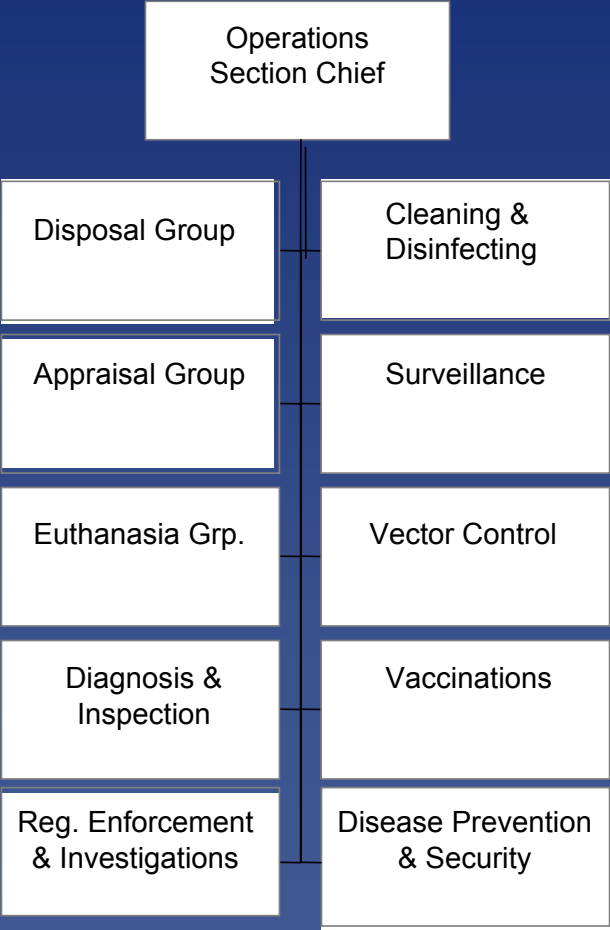
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## General Staff



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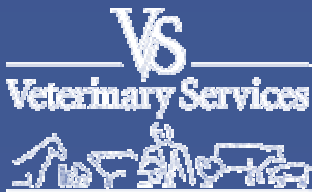
## Operations Section





# Incident Command System Daily Meeting

0700	Surveillance Personnel (All)
0800	Daily Briefing (All w/o Surveillance)
1300	Chiefs Meeting (Commanders and Chiefs)
1800	Planning Meeting (Planning)
1830	Plans Approval Meeting (Commanders and Chiefs)



# Morning Briefing





# Planning Meeting

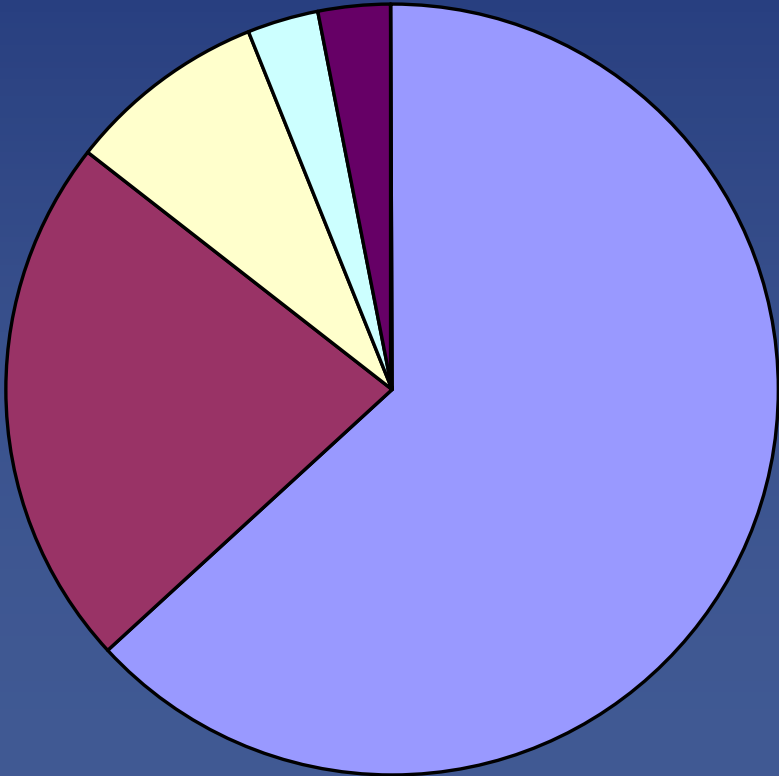




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## Personnel

Total Personnel by Organization: 766  
4/16/02 - 8/23/02



APHS	469
DHHS	168
USFS	61
State	24
DODVC	22
Contract	22



# Incident Commanders





# Forest Service





Supply





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**Army**





Department of Health and Human  
Services



# Training



# Reasons for Success

- Lessons Learned from the Past
- Industry Involvement and Commitment
- Cooperation Between Virginia, West Virginia, USDA and all of the Cooperators
- Improved Technologies (Rapid Diagnosis and Computer Support)
- Rapid and Coordinated Response





